

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and listings of the claims.

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (currently amended): An image processing apparatus comprising:
a reader, arranged to read means for reading an original image and to

generate image data representing the read original image;

an interface adapted to connect said image processing apparatus
means connectable to a local area network having a plurality of terminals for a user;

31 LAN information memory ~~means for~~ storing information on the user
~~or the client~~ on ~~[[said]]~~ the local area network;

~~designation means for designating~~ a designation unit adapted to
designate a user ~~or a client~~ on ~~[[said]]~~ the local area network to which the image data read
by from said reader ~~[[means]]~~ are to be transferred, based on the information stored in said
LAN information memory ~~[[means]]~~; ~~[[and]]~~

image memory connected to said reader, not through said interface,
~~means for storing~~ arranged to receive and store the image data ~~read by~~ from said reader
~~[[means]]~~ in correlation with the user ~~and/or the client~~ designated by said designation
~~[[means]]~~ unit; and

a controller adapted to control said image processing apparatus so as to
cause said reader to read the original image and to generate the image data and to cause

said image memory to store the image data from said reader after said designation unit designates the user.

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Claim 11 (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim 10, further comprising:

a first ~~reception means for receiving~~ receiver adapted to receive information on the user ~~and/or the client~~ on [[said]] the local area network, at a predetermined interval from [[said]] the user ~~and/or client~~; and

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a first renewal ~~means for renewing~~ unit adapted to renew the information stored in said LAN information memory [[means]], based on the information received by said first ~~reception means~~ receiver.

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Claim 12 (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim 10, further comprising:

a second ~~reception means for receiving~~ receiver adapted to receive information on [[said]] the user ~~and/or the client~~ on [[said]] the local area network, from [[said]] the user ~~and/or client~~, when a designated operation is initiated by said designation [[means]] unit; and

a second renewal ~~means for renewing~~ unit adapted to renew the information stored in said LAN information memory [[means]], based on the information received by said second ~~reception means~~ receiver.

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Claim 1⁴/₃ (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim 1¹/₀, further comprising:

a confirmation ~~means for confirming~~ unit adapted to confirm whether the information on the user ~~and/or the client~~ designated by the designation [[means]] unit is renewed;

a third ~~reception means for receiving~~ receiver adapted to receive information on the user ~~and/or the client~~, from the user ~~and/or client~~ designated by said designation [[means]] unit, when the renewal of [[said]] the information is confirmed by said confirmation [[means]] unit; and

3, a third renewal ~~means for renewing~~ unit adapted to renew the information stored in said LAN information memory [[means]], based on the information received by said third ~~reception means~~ receiver.

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Claim 1⁴/₄ (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim 1⁴/₃, further comprising ~~informing means for informing~~ an information unit adapted to inform concerning the renewal of the information by said third renewal unit, in a case where [[the]] renewal of the information on the user ~~and/or the client~~ is confirmed by said confirmation [[means]] unit.

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Claim 1⁴/₅ (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim 1¹/₀, further comprising:

~~detection means for detecting~~ a detector adapted to detect that the information on the user ~~and/or the client~~ on [[said]] the local area network is renewed;

a fourth ~~reception means for receiving~~ receiver adapted to receive information on the user ~~and/or the client~~ on ~~[[said]]~~ the local area network, from ~~[[said]]~~ the user ~~and/or client~~, in a case where said ~~detection means~~ detector detects the renewal of the information on the user ~~and/or the client~~; and

a fourth renewal ~~means for renewing~~ unit adapted to renew the information stored in said LAN information memory ~~[[means]]~~, based on the information received by said fourth ~~reception means~~ receiver.

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Claim ⁷~~16~~ (currently amended): An image processing apparatus according to claim ⁶~~16~~, wherein said fourth renewal ~~[[means]]~~ unit is adapted to renew the information on the user ~~and/or the client~~, only for the user ~~and/or the client~~ for which the renewal of the information is detected by said ~~detection means~~ detector.

[Claims ⁸~~17-33~~ (canceled)]

Claim ⁸~~34~~ (new): A control method for controlling an image processing apparatus which includes a reader reading an original image and generating image data representing the read original image, an interface connecting the image processing apparatus to a local area network having a plurality of terminals for use by a user, and image memory connected to the reader not through the interface, storing the image data, said method comprising the steps of:

storing information on the user on the local area network;

designating a user on the local area network to which the image data from the reader are to be transferred, based on the stored information on the user; and

causing the reader to read the original image and to generate the image data and causing the image memory to store the image data from the reader in correlation with the user designated in said designating step.

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Claim 35 (new) A computer program for executing a control method for controlling an image processing apparatus which includes a reader reading an original image and generating image data representing the read original image, an interface connecting the image processing apparatus to a local area network having a plurality of terminals for use by a user, and image memory that is connected to the reader not through the interface, storing the image data, said program comprising:

code for storing information on the user on the local area network;

code for designating a user on the local area network to which the image data from the reader are to be transferred, based on the stored information on the user; and

code for causing the reader to read the original image and to generate the image data and causing the image memory to store the image data from the reader in correlation with the user designated by said designating code.